

Local Work Group development of local EQIP

Lyon County Soil & Water District FY09 EQIP

1. List the local resource concerns that EQIP can address:

- Erosion Control
- Water Resource Protection
- Flood Control Structures
- Grazing
- Nutrient Management
- Wildlife Habitat

2. If applicable, list any geographic regions (i.e. watersheds, townships, etc.) and their respective resource concerns within the District to receive priority:

- South Branch of Yellow Medicine River (Ag Waste, Water Quality, Impaired Waters, Nutrient Management)
- Upstream of Yellow Medicine, Redwood and Cottonwood Watersheds Flood Control
- Implementing conservation practices within TMDL areas that help solve the pollutant problem

3. From items 1 & 2 above prioritize the local resource concerns to be addressed with EQIP funding for the district. Describe a minimum of 3 categories of the highest priority applications which you would want to receive funding.

- Applications addressing Soil Erosion
- Applications addressing Water Quality/Quantity (Flood Control)
- Applications addressing Agricultural Waste Management Systems and Nutrient Management in the SW Branch of the Yellow Medicine River Watershed

4. Develop a minimum of 3 and maximum of 12 yes/no questions to determine if an application is addressing the high priority concerns described in item 3.

- Soil Erosion – The application will install structural practices that address and reduce a soil erosion problem (excluding practices 410, 402, 378). 20 points

- Water Resource Protection – The application will install practices that address and improve water quality and/or quantity. 12 points

- Water Quality – A current CNMP and/or Environmental Assessment have been completed prior to the 2009 EQIP sign-up and the application will install an Ag Waste Management System component that will correct a pollution problem. 5 points

- Water Quality – The application will address the Fecal Coliform Water Quality problem within the SW Branch of the Yellow Medicine River Watershed. 2 points

- Water Quantity – The application will address flood control.

- Existing structure repair (practices 410, 402, 378). 4 points

- New structures (practices 410, 402). 3 points

5. Assign points to the questions in Item #4 as desired to reflect local priorities. The total points assigned to the questions should be between 35 to 60 points.

6. Submit this worksheet to your respective ASTC(FO). After approval from the state office, the questions will be entered into the Local Issues section of the ranking tool.

7. List any recommended practices to be deleted from the state Conservation Practice Payment Document

The local EQIP program description, cost-share docket changes, and ranking worksheet must be reviewed and approved by the State Conservationist before any EQIP contract is approved and signed.

This document serves as the Local Work Group recommendation for FY 09 EQIP. Attached is a roster of participation in the Local Work Group.

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